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BOND RATINGS FOR VALUE LINE-COVERED CLECs September 2003¹

COMPANY	STANDARD & POOR'S BOND
	RATING ²
Allegiance Telecom	NR/D
Citizens Communications	NR/BBB
Pac-West Telecom, Inc.	NR/D
RCN Corp.	NR/CCC-
Time Warner Telecom, Inc.	CCC+
AVERAGE ³	CCC+/CCC

¹ CLECs are identified from the Telecommunications Services firms listed in *Value Line Investment Survey* for *Window –Plus Edition*, Value Line Publishing, Inc., September 2003. Bond ratings are obtained from *Standard & Poor's Bond Guide*, October 2003.

² NR= listed as not currently rated in the October 2003 issue of *Standard & Poor's Bond Guide*. However, in such cases the last indicated rating is shown.

³ The average S&P bond rating is calculated by attaching numerical values to each qualitative category.

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YIELDS ON CCC-RATED DEBT September 2003⁴

DATE	YIELD TO MATURITY (%)
2-Sep-03	13.50
3-Sep-03	13.42
4-Sep-03	13.25
5-Sep-03	13.29
8-Sep-03	13.22
9-Sep-03	13.13
10-Sep-03	13.14
18-Sep-03	12.95
19-Sep-03	12.83
22-Sep-03	12.81
23-Sep-03	12.83
24-Sep-03	12.86
25-Sep-03	12.82
26-Sep-03	12.78
29-Sep-03	12.84
30-Sep-03	12.91
AVERAGE	13.04

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 $^{^{\}rm 4}$ Data obtained from Goldman Sachs International, High Yield Research.